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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Customer Number: 20277

Wen LIU, et al.

Confirmation Number: 6031

Serial No.: 09/986,863

Group Art Unit: 1773

Filed: November 13, 2001

Examiner: STEVAN A RESAN

For: ULTRA-THIN, CORROSION- RESISTANT, HYDROGENATED CARBON

OVERCOATS BY COMBINED SPUTTERING AND PECVD

## NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated September 5,

2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-6, 16-22 and 26.

Appeal Fee: \$\\$330.00

Not required (fee paid in prior appeal in this application).

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Respectfully submitted,

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